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TREATMENT OF MALARIA.

The following letter and report have been received from Asst. Surg. Gen. H. R. Carter, secretary of the National Malaria Committee:

BALTIMORE, MD., *December 13, 1919.*

DR. RUPERT BLUE,
*Surgeon General, Public Health Service,
Chairman National Malaria Committee, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR DOCTOR: I am inclosing a report of the subcommittee on medical research of the National Malaria Committee, which is self-explanatory. This report is presented to such members of the national committee as are physicians for approval or disapproval of the recommendations therein contained.

Respectfully,

H. R. CARTER,
Secretary National Malaria Committee.

Report of the Subcommittee on Medical Research of the National Malaria Committee, November, 1919.

"The subcommittee on medical research of the National Malaria Committee presents the following as a standard method of treatment of malaria for the purpose of curing the patient of his infection and recommends its general use by the medical profession. We believe that this treatment will, in the great majority of cases, prevent relapses in the patients themselves and also prevent transmission of infection to others. Our opinion is based largely upon the results of the treatment by this method, under average conditions, in their homes, of a large number of persons infected with malaria.

"For the acute attack 10 grains of quinine sulphate by mouth three times a day for a period of at least three or four days, to be followed by 10 grains every night before retiring for a period of eight weeks. For infected persons not having acute symptoms at the time only the eight weeks' treatment is required.

"The proportionate doses for children are: Under 1 year, one-half grain; 1 year, 1 grain; 2 years, 2 grains; 3 and 4 years, 3 grains; 5, 6, and 7 years, 4 grains; 8, 9, and 10 years, 6 grains; 11, 12, 13, and 14 years, 8 grains; 15 years or older, 10 grains.

"It is not claimed that this is a perfect or even the best treatment in all cases, but it is our belief that it is a good and satisfactory method for practical use to prevent relapse and transmission to other people.

(Signed)

"C. C. BASS, *Chairman*,
"WILLIAM KRAUSS,
"WILLIAM H. DEADERICK,
"GEORGE DOCK,
"CHARLES F. CRAIG."

REGISTRATION OF NURSES IN ENGLAND.

A bill has been introduced into the British Parliament for the purpose of securing the registration of nurses and the institution of a general nursing council. The latter is to comprise 25 members, as follows:

(a) Two persons, who shall not be registered medical practitioners, or nurses, or persons concerned with the regular direction or provision of the services of nurses, appointed by the privy council.

(b) Two persons appointed by the board of education.

(c) Five persons appointed by the minister of health, after consultation with persons and bodies having special knowledge and experience of training schools for nurses, of the work of matrons of hospitals, of general and special nursing services, and of general and special medical practice.

(d) Sixteen persons who are or have at some time been nurses actually engaged in rendering services in direct connection with the nursing of the sick, appointed by the minister of health after consultation with the central committee for the State registration of nurses, the College of Nursing, the Royal British Nurses' Association, and such other associations or organized bodies of nurses or matrons as represent to the minister that they desire to be consulted in the matter.

The foregoing council will act for a term not exceeding three years, after which time the council will consist of nine persons appointed by the privy council, board of education, and the minister of health respectively, and 16 others, registered as nurses under the act, who will be elected in accordance with the prescribed scheme. This body will hold office for five years.

The work of the council will include the formation and maintenance of a register, divided into five sections:

- (a) All nurses other than those mentioned below.
- (b) Male nurses.
- (c) Mental nurses.